

Payload Rack Checkout Unit (PRCU)

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PRCU PROGRAM ROLE



Payload Rack Checkout Unit (PRCU)

- Distributed verification of payload interfaces to the ISS Interface Control Documents (ICDs).
- KSC PRCU is used for
 - » Re-verification of payload interfaces as required
 - » Verification of ISPR/EXPRESS rack or attached payloads required by Payloads Office to undergo verification in PRCU prior to testing in PTCS
 - » Offline Post-Delivery Check



PRCU CAPABILITIES OVERVIEW

PRCU PROVIDES:

- Verification of payload to space station interfaces for U.S. Payloads (ISPR, EXPRESS, or Attached)
- Single payload "multi-rack" checkout
- Subsystem interface testing
 - » Fluids/Structures
 - » Power
 - » Video
 - » Command and Data Handling (C&DH)

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SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

Insert PRCU Interface Overview from PRCU User Guide

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PRCU PHYSICAL CONFIGURATION

Insert KSC PRCU Facility Drawing

SUBSYSTEMS



FLUIDS/STRUCTURES

- System Capabilities:
 - » Includes GN₂
 - » Vacuum Exhaust & Resource
 - » Thermal Control System (TCS)
 - Moderate Temperature Chiller
 - Low Temperature Chiller
 - » Raised Access Floor, and Support Structure

POWER SUBSYSTEM (EPS)

- System Capabilities:
 - » Upcoming upgrade will allow local control via Programmable Electrical Power Supply Emulator (PEPSE) front panel and remote control via PRCU Sun workstation

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SUBSYSTEMS



VIDEO

- System Capabilities:
 - » Differential or Single-Ended
 - » CVIU for conversion of PFM to NTSC video
 - » Lightwave Multimeter to measure Optical Power

COMMAND & DATA HANDLING (C&DH)

- System Capabilities:
 - » LRDL, MRDL, and HRDL emulation
 - » Simulates C&C MDM

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